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The Winter Wheat Crop.

It seems to be reasonably safe to conclude that not much more than half of a full normal yield of wheat will be produced this year in the important winter wheat states of Kansas, Nebraska, Missouri, Illinois and Indiana. The reports from these states, official and private, leave no room to doubt that the plant on a large percentage of the area planted last fall was killed by the extremely cold weather of January and February and much of that which remains was so stunted that only the most favorable weather will bring it to maturity and produce a crop.

These states include less than half the total winter wheat area of the country. On the remainder of the area, scattered through 25 states, the present condition is much better, and the most reasonable calculations suggest an aggregate winter wheat crop of between 50,000,000 and 75,000,000 bushels less than last year. This seems so be the utmost that can be expected, and if the weather is not favorable during the remainder of the season the shortage will be much

But to the country at large the damage to the crop will not prove a disaster. There will be enough to give the railroads a lot of business. and the higher prices likely to be received for the surpuls available for export will offset the reduction in the excess of the crup above home needs. The country, as a whole, will not suffer appreciably from the destruction of a large area of wheat by the extremely low temperature of last winter.-Kansas City Star.

Spain's Greatest Need. Mr. R. P. Olivia of Barcelona Spain, spends his winters at Aiken, S. C. Weak nerves had caused severe pains in the back of his head. On using Electric Bitters, America's greatest blood and nerve remedy, all pain soon left him. His says this grand medicine is what his country needs. All America knows that it cures liver and kidney troubles, purifies the blood, tones up the stomach, strengthens the nerves, puts vim. vigor and new life into every muscle, nerve and organ of the body. If weak, tired or ailing you need it. Every bottle guaranteed, only 50 cents. Seld by W. C. Gaston, druggist.

Marriage Maxims.

Never marry except for love. Never forget these rules when the not is tied:

Never taunt with a past mistake.

Never meet without a loving wel-

daily aim and practice of each.

any anger or grievance.

neglect the whole world.

ense of the other-it is meanness.

wishes of the other.

words to think of during absence. Never find fault unless it is perfectly Woman's Home Companion. ertain that a fault has been commit-

ted, and always speak lovingly. confessed it and asked forgiveness .-St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

A Narrow Escape.

Thankful words written by Mrs Ada E. Hart of Groton, S. D.: "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in consumption. Four doctors gave me up saying I could but live a short time. I gave myself up to my Savior, determined if I could name is Ortis P. Edds and he is 10 not stay with my friends on earth I years old. Her name was Pearl Ramp he cares for no danger, he shrinks would meet my absent ones above, My hasband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Coughs and Colds. I gave it a monte, where they will go to housetrial-took in all eight bottles. It has keeping and take up the struggle cured me, and, thank God, I am saved against the great imaginary wolf that and now am a well and healthy wo- keeps men hustling and women man." Trial bottles free at W. C. Gaston's drug store. Regular size of doom. 50c and \$1. Guaranteed or price re-

Money to Loan At 5 1-2 per cen annual interest on unincumbered farm lands. Commission, reasonable. GEO. N. ELLIOTT,

Given Away Free

sixty-five dollar high-arm sewing machine



N July 4th, 1899, I will give away, free, a Sixty-five I dollar White Sewing Machine. The plan is as follows: + + I have written a number somewhere between 1 and 3.000 and have deposited it in a sealed envelope in the Farmers' Bank at Keytesville, and the one guessing nearest that number will be given the machine. No one knows what the number is, as it was selected from several other numbers that had been previously deposited in sealed envelopes.

in case two or more persons guess the winning number, the machine will be sold and the proceeds divided equally among the successful guessers.

All new subscribers and those who renew their subscription to the Courier before July 4th will be entitled tolone guess on the machine.

> C. P. Vandiver Editor and Publisher

A Sensible Health Fad.

Women have begun to understand Never allow a request to be re- the courage to persist in a half day's wards. The very atmosphere of the "The southern girl is surrounded by a Never forget to let self-denial be the dared to imagine. Improved circula- and incentive to prepare himself for tions are more normal. Her life is Never let the sun go down upon themselves in the balance against dis- hand fields which are sure to develop, mind, by reason of it, is clearer and Never neglect one another; rather the hollow eyes and worn faces at striving with brain and brawn, secure life of the North and West is not so Never make a remark at the ex- pations and nature has inserted her to war, the chances of success are in- suppose. On the contrary, in wears Never be stubborn, but let each and lotions and powders, the paraone strive to yield oftenest to the phernalia of the toilet table. The rosy are just entering the would as infants women look younger at maturity than health and wholesome strength of the Never part for a day without loving average English woman is the outcome of age. The twentieth century holds too, nature blooms in a profusion as of her outdoor life and exercise.-

Bismarck's Iron Nerve

Never let any fault you have com- Was the result of his splendid health. mitted go by until you have frankly Indomitable will and tremendous energy are not found where stomach. liver, kidneys and bowels are out of order. If you want these qualities and the success they use Dr. King's New Life Pills. They develop every power of brain and body. Only 25 cts at W. C. Gaston's drug store.

HERE is a new style of wedding notice, as well as of a wedding: "His and she is 15 years old. Sunday they were married in Warrensburg, and then moved to a farm near Lascheming from dawn until the crack

DOES COFFEE AGREE WITH YOU?

H not, drink Grain-O-made from pur

A young man born in this country that health as well as wealth trends today has reason to congratulate him- by a southern girl's regret that she upon the footsteps of outdoor work. self. He comes at a time when our cannot go to college, Edward Bok, in Several broken-down society leaders young men have before them the the April Ladies' Home Journal, has in a certain western stown have had greatest duties and the greatest re- this to say of the girls of the southland: garden work regularly for a stated land is instructive and educative. It life far truer and more conclusive to period. The result is very much is in the air that there are important self-government than girls living in more in their favor than they had things to do, and nobody lacks urging other sections, because social condition, rest and digestion have thrown future duties. He can see on every healthier because it is saner, and her ordered nerves, sleepless nights and into which he may enter and, by more constantly at rest. The rush of tendant upon prolonged social dissi- himself high position. From farming stimulating as many southern girls immortal rights before the paints and numerable, and the profits large, women out as often as it develops They are ready to hand for those who them. In no part of our country do and those who brave it as young men in the South. To the southern girl, something for all .-

Chauacey M. Depero.

Some European writers have said that the American soldier would be a very poor fighter outside of his own country. This prediction, like many other European predictions on America, has proved to be a mistake. The American soldier is a fighter, it makes no difference where you place him, whether defending his own home or fighting for the home of some one else. The American soldier has fewer stains on his honor than any soldier under the shining sun. In peace he is an honorable,upright citizen; in war from no hardships, however great, so long as the interest of his country is at stake. God bless the American soldier! he is the bravest lad on earth. -Howelt County News.

Volcanic Eruptions

them, also old, running and fever ness is over." sores, ulcers, boils, felons, corns, At 5 1-2 per cen grains. A lady writes: "The first time I made Grain-O I did not like it, but after using it for one week nothing would induce me to go back to coffee "It nourishes and feeds the system. The children can drink it freely with great benefit. It is the strengthening substance of pure grains. Get a package today from your grocer, follow the directions in making it and you will have a delicious and healthful table beverage for old and young. 15 and 25c.

If not, drink Grain-O-made from pure grains. A lady writes: "The first time I warts, cuts, bruises, burns, scalds, chapped hands, chilblains. Best pile cure on earth. Drives out pains and aches. Only 25 cts a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by W. C. Gaston, prices. warts, cuts, bruises, burns, scalds, I am prepared to furnish you anychapped hands, chilblains. Best pile thing in the line of furniture, wall pacure on earth. Drives out pains and pers, coffins, burial robes and shoes, aches. Only 25 cts a box. Cure which I am selling at the lowest living

The Southern Girl.

In concluding an editorial inspired

she does nowhere else. The natural history which the northern girl must get out of books the southern girl gets direct from natures' own hand. She is born of a soil as rich and colorful in romantic history as is the literature of Spain. This she receives as a natural heritage. Her parents are, and her ancestors were, among the best types of American chivalry and American womanhood. She hears but one language spoken, and that is her own. If there is the introduction af another tongue it is French, and with these two she can travel the world over and never be at a disadvantage. The religion which she learns from her mother is the highest and best because it is untainted with modern 'revelations.' The truest friend and safest teacher in 'highest living' a girl can have is her mother, and in the South mothers have a way of finding time for their daughters and being companions to them. The southern father is fond of his children. Are grand, but skin eruptions rob life and proves it by his presence at the of joy. Bucklen's Arnica Salve cures domestic hearth after his day's busi-

Triplett, Mo.